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GRABLE ASKS TRANSPORT ACT CHANGED

HOPE FORTIFIED AS RESCUE WORK AT MINE GOES ON

Light of New Day Disperses All Shadows Save that of Possible Death at Argonaut Mine in Calif.

FIRE CLIMBS NEAR SURFACE OF EARTH

Superintendent Assents Every Effort Being Made to Save 48 Miners.

(By The Associated Press)
JACKSON, Cal. — Held in the grip of despair as hour follows hour in their vigil, families and fellow workers of the 48 gold miners imprisoned since midnight Sunday nearly a mile below the earth's surface in the Argonaut mine, clinging stubbornly to the hope that their husbands, fathers and buddies still live.

Dawn today found that tense group still waiting. Light of a new day chased long shadows westward at the mouth of the black pit. But one it could not dispel. The shadow of death still hung over those who worked and those who waited.

From the mouth of the pit, from which these men have helped to take fortunes in gold at an average of a million a year, came no token of hope. From it came no sign of the hell of flame and smoke and the poisoned air that raged between the two imprisoned mines on the levels below 4,000 feet and the workers who vainly struggled to reach them.

Rescuers Turned Back.
During the night men attempting to mine "skips" to ride down through the flaming levels were dragged back to the surface. Their faces blackened. The tracks in which the skips ran were warped and distorted with the heat. In some places even melted away.

Plumes which started yesterday morning at the 3,000 foot level today had worked up above the 2,400 foot level. A half mile below the earth's surface, working frantically with drills and picks to break through a concrete barrier which long has sealed the shaft of the Argonaut from the shaft of a neighboring mine, other miners sought to make a possible channel of escape for their trapped comrades. It was a slim hope.

Superintendent Villio Gabarini said everything humanly possible was being done toward the rescue of the entombed men. He said that workers expected to establish communications with the miners if any still live, within 15 hours. Until their bodies are brought out the hope that some of the forty-eight still live will endure.

Canary Birds Suffocated.
Canary birds told the rescue workers the futility of attempting further descents into the shaft of the Argonaut mine, whose flames have raged since midnight Sunday from the 3,000 foot levels upward. The birds gave their lives in warning of the danger of the descent.

STRIKE

Road Officials and Officers Unable to Unravel Disorder Plots That Continue to Arise Each Day.

CHICAGO — Walkout of Chicago and Alton trainmen at Roodhouse, Ill., is over. Striking engineers and company officials met at Slater, Mo., in a move to end the Chicago and Alton tie-up there. The United States railroad labor board continued its hearing on the application of maintenance of way employees for increases in wages. Five men were held on charges of murder in connection with the Michigan Central wreck at Gary, Ind., ending August 20, when two of the train crew were killed.

These were important developments in the railroad situation Tuesday following bomb outrages, shootings, wreck plots and investigations by federal state and private operatives during the last 24 hours.

The Chicago and Alton, which has been one of the chief sufferers from strike demonstrations appeared unable to unravel the tangle on its western branch.

While Chicago and Gary police, federal operatives and railroad detectives dug into their investigations into the Gary wreck and other alleged sabotage plots in which train wreckers were a part of a program of terrorism, separate inquiries were in progress into an attempt to ditch the California-Pacific flyer on the Chicago system at Capeville, Tenn., and the dynamiting of Chicago and Alton railroad bridges at Drake and Whitehall, Ill.

Bombing of the homes of railroad employees at Bloomington, Ill., and Montgomery, Ala., the shooting of a C. and A. watchman in Chicago; a gun fight between railroad guards and a sniper at Moline, Ill., and the dynamiting of a bridge at Spuds, Fla., were among strike disorders reported from different sections of the country.

Discovery of an inflammable bomb near a gasoline storage tank at Flint, Mich., increased the rapidly growing list of the nation's industrial upheavals. A number of maintenance of way employees of the Missouri-Pacific, who joined a sympathetic strike at Jefferson City, Mo., returned to work.

Look Out, Dice Hounds!

Judge Stanley Says Shooting for Cigars as Bad as Moaning for 'Seven' or 'Eleven.'

Speeders, drunks, and disturbers of the peace, with a few dice shooters on the side constituted the gnat in Judge Stanley's municipal court Monday afternoon, and when the curtain was rung down 28 cases had been disposed of and the city treasury considerably enriched as a consequence.

Speaking of shooting dice Judge Stanley issued the ukase that there would be no more of it tolerated in Ardmore, either privately or over the counter for cigars or other merchandise.

EYE WITNESSES TO TELL HORRORS OF HERRIN MINE MASSACRE BEFORE JURY WHICH WILL PLACE BLAME FOR DEATHS

FUNDS APPROVED FOR COMPLETION OF WILSON DAM

Largest single unit of masonry in world was one-third built when work was halted.

WASHINGTON, — Funds totaling \$600,000 have been authorized by President Harding to enable army engineers to begin construction work on the Wilson dam at Muscle Shoals, Ala., on an extensive scale, spending use of the \$700,000,000 appropriated by congress which becomes available October 1, it was officially announced Tuesday.

FLORENCE, Ala. — Wilson dam was practically one third built when work was stopped last year, according to district engineer's report. The project when completed will be the largest single unit of masonry in the world, containing 1,260,000 cubic yards. The total length will be 4,500 feet and the structure will be spanned by a high way bridge.

Word from Washington that work was to be resumed on an extensive scale brought metamorphosis to the district over night. Today the isolated camp was alive with workers seeking jobs and with the district engineers forces bending every effort to get in all the time possible before the high water season which comes late in the fall.

RUSSIAN ICONOCLASTS CAUGHT BY THE POLICE

MOSCOW. — Valuable jewels stripped from the historic icon of the Iberian Virgin by robbers who broke into the famous Iberian chapel at the gates of the Red Square on April 7, have been recovered by the Moscow police. Thirty members of a gang of robbers who looted many churches, chapels and convents before and during the government requisition of church treasures have been arrested, and lost valued at many millions of dollars has been recovered. The jewels from the Iberian icon alone were estimated to be worth nearly \$3,000,000.

LIFEBOATS ON RAILS EASY FOR LAUNCHING

LONDON.—Lifeboats arranged on deck on rails, so that they can be run to that part of the ship from which launching is possible, are features of the new steamship Mecklenburg, claimed to be the last word in safety ships, which has just made her maiden trip between Folkestone and Flushing. In many cases of disaster at sea it has been found impossible to launch all of the boats on a ship because of the lack of the new device this difficulty is said to be overcome.

AMERICAN GOLFERS LEAD IN TOURNAY

SOUTHAMPTON. — The American golfers lead their English rivals for the Walker cup in four of the eight 36 hole matches today when the first 18 holes had been played. The English were ahead in the other four, but since the Americans captured three of a quartet of four matches yesterday the invaders faced a tough uphill fight this afternoon. They would have to capture six of the eight matches today to win the trophy.

COTTON GOES HIGHER ON EARLY TRADING TUESDAY

NEW ORLEANS.—Generally better cables than day, continued drought in the western belt and a private bureau forecast of 54 as the government's pending report on the condition of the crop, together with indicated yield figures of 10,100,000 bales, put the cotton market higher Tuesday. In the first hour of the session the trading positions rose 25 to 30 points, carrying October up to 22.15.

He construes the law covering the case to mean "shooting dice is shooting dice," whether it be for a fat perfect, or practiced by a citizen of African descent trying to make the gallopers respond to his plaintive call for "tray-four." In the future all will be treated alike in his court, he said.

Monday night the police department picked up seven people charged with minor offenses from drunkenness or stepping on the gas. They will be given a hearing this afternoon.

Probe Takes Two Distinct Phases Which Includes Slaying of Union Miners and Employees on June 22.

MARION, Ill. — Testimony by witnesses placed on the list of those summoned for today, the second day of the special grand jury's investigation of the Herrin mine war was expected to bring before the jurors vivid descriptions by eye witnesses of what happened around the Lester strip mine on July 22, when 19 employees of the Southern Coal company were either slain or fatally wounded, and of the happenings of the previous day resulting in the death of three union miners.

According to the instructions given the jury yesterday by the young circuit court judge, D. T. Hartwell, the investigation will assume two distinct phases the slaying of the union miners and the massacre of the employees of the ill-fated strip mine. In charging the jury the judge appealed to investigators to use fairness and justice and to make every effort to counteract the charges of lawlessness that have been openly made against Williamson county's citizens and officials by bringing before the bar of justice those upon whom rests the blame for 22 fatalities.

Bungalow on Top of Sky Scraper is Destroyed by Fire

TULSA, Okla.—Fire early today successfully attacked the 15 story Caden skyscraper here. It was extinguished within three hours after every man on the department had responded to the call. The only damage of note was to the fifteenth floor where the fire started and to the unique bungalow on the roof.

This bungalow is the Tulsa residence of Joseph S. Caden, millionaire oil man and president of the Caden Company, who is at present recovering from an operation for appendicitis in New York. The bungalow, reported to have been richly furnished and decorated, was destroyed. No estimate of the loss has been made.

INDIAN SERVICE TO BE REORGANIZED SOON

MUSKOGEE, Okla.—Reorganization of the Indian field service effective Sept. 1 was announced Tuesday by Major Victor M. Locke, Jr., general superintendent of the Five Civilized Tribes. H. P. Warfield of Tahomahog who has been acting as field clerk with jurisdiction over Muskogee, Waggoner and McIntosh counties has resigned.

BIG GRAIN HOUSES OF CHICAGO MERGED

CHICAGO.—Announcement was made today that Lamson Brothers and Company, board of trade brokers, had acquired the entire business and good will of E. E. Leland and Company, also of Chicago, effective Aug. 31. The merger involves two of the best known grain houses in Chicago.

NEW ORDER ON GIN RATE BEING PREPARED TODAY

OKLAHOMA CITY.—A new order affecting cotton ginning rates in Oklahoma was being prepared Tuesday by the corporation commission and was to be announced later in the day to ginners and growers of the state. It is understood the rates for this year, under the order, will be the same as those of last year, plus five cents per hundred pounds on account of the increased cost of fuel.

NEW YORK COTTON FIRM WITH UPWARD TURN

NEW YORK. — The cotton market showed renewed firmness at the opening Tuesday owing to relative firm cables, continued crop complaining and rather a more optimistic view of the cotton outlook. First prices were 12 to 25 points higher with December contracts selling at 22.54 on covering and a little buying on trade and speculation houses.

TROTTER BOUND OVER TO HIGHER COURT AT TRIAL

Methodist Minister Waives Reading of Charges and Pleads Not Guilty At McAlester.

NINETEEN TESTIFY ON OPENING DAY

Accused Man Changed Name When He Became Fugitive From Kentucky, Said.

McALESTER, Okla.—The Rev. J. C. Trotter, alias Lonnie N. Trotter, former financial secretary of Brooks Institute at Harborside and pastor of the Methodist must stand trial in the district court for alleged embezzlement of funds belonging to that institution.

Ending the state side of the preliminary abruptly after conclusion of auditor Heffley's testimony at 11 o'clock this morning, Trotter's attorney demurred to evidence introduced and was overruled by Justice W. A. Treadwell, who presided.

Specific charges filed against Rev. Trotter, a minister of the Methodist church, south, is that \$1,530 are not accounted for in audits of his accounts. It was after an alleged shortage of approximately \$3,200, that Trotter sent his wife and children to Chattanooga, Tenn., and joined Miss Audrey Campbell head nurse, who had become amorously wrapped up in a triangular affair that eventually wrecked the bliss of the three principles, it is claimed.

Trotter waived reading of charges when his case was called Monday at 2:30 and entered a plea of not guilty.

Many Witnesses Called.
Forty five witnesses were sworn in and testimony started. Nineteen were called to the stand Monday. Each identified cancelled checks alleged to be for the hospital at Harborside and endorsed by Trotter, who was financial secretary. The state intends to show that either all or part of the total thus received by the minister never reached the coffers of the Brooks Institute.

Many lively hits occurred between Trotter's attorney and the county attorney and particularly when the prosecution continued to refer to his defendant as J. C. alias Lonnie Trotter. It has developed that the minister's real name is Lonnie N. Trotter and that he changed this to J. C. Trotter when he became a fugitive from Kentucky. He is wanted at Harborside, Ky., on nine charges, it is said, principal of which is a large \$11,220 forgery.

A large crowd of Harborside and Harborside people are in attendance.

Local Firms May Close Half-Day During the Fair

H. R. Shine, secretary of the Ardmore Retail Merchants' Association, announces a meeting of that organization Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of deciding whether merchants of the city will close their stores on afternoons during the county fair in order that all may attend.

It has been the custom in past years to close for half a day during the fair and designating that as Ardmore Day, whether this practice will be adhered to this season will depend on the result of Wednesday's meeting. Ardmore Day has always been featured by the best racing card of the fair, and the committee on racing promise that the feature will prevail if the retail association announces the afternoon off for their employees.

THREE KILLED IN MIX HOUSE BLAST AT PLANT

CARTHAGE, Mo.—Three men were instantly killed and two injured today when a gelatin mix house at the Atlas Powder Company plant, seven miles southwest of Carthage, blew up. The dead are Will Leroy, of Carthage; Andrew Case of Duwag, and William McAdon, residing near the plant. All the men were near families.

Many at Fairview Park

FAIRVIEW, Okla. — Hundreds of motorists have visited Fairview's free tourist park maintained by the chamber of commerce, according to the register kept there. Practically every state is represented in the list.

THE BUYERS MART

Is the classified columns of the Ardmoreite. Full is approaching. There will be an increased demand for houses, apartments, furniture, lots, household supplies, second hand goods, in fact everything that goes upon the market. You can get quick results by using the classified columns of the Ardmoreite because everybody reads them. It is not necessary to come to the Ardmoreite office—just

Call No. 5

Petitions Ask for Grand Jury 'To Investigate Matters' Here As Bristow Let Question Drop

Monday afternoon C. E. Frazier of this city, was securing signatures to a petition to be presented to the district court asking that a grand jury be called "to investigate matters in Carter county."

Mr. Frazier stated that two other petitions were in circulation in different sections of the county and said he anticipated no trouble in securing the necessary number of signers.

NORTHWEST PROPERTY OWNERS ARE PROTESTING ALLEGED ADDITIONAL COST ON THE PAVING OF E STREET

Sixteen property owners on E street, northwest, filed a protest with City Manager Kirk Dyer Tuesday against the issuance or sale of bonds covering the paving project on that street, and notifying city authorities that any attempt to do so would be met with legal action. In the petition it is alleged that certain errors were made in the procedure covering paving district number 54 in arriving at the cost of the work, and assessments now being made to cover the cost are illegal.

The portion of street in controversy is already paved and embraces the territory between Second avenue and Thirteenth street, northwest.

Commenting on the protest, Manager Dyer stated that it was practically a parallel case to the one covering West Broadway where a like protest is now before city officials.

According to figures furnished by the city manager, the engineer's preliminary estimate on this project was \$60,763.75. The bid under which the contract was awarded was \$40,233.69, and the engineer's final estimate upon which is based payment was \$23,666.90 a difference between the original bid and final estimate of \$23,632.21. This additional cost is what the property owners are protesting against.

In explaining the added cost to the original contract Manager Dyer and City Engineer A. B. Payne stated that considerable more excavating and widening of the street near Twelfth avenue was necessary in order to cut down the steep grade.

CHAPPELL TO BEGIN NEW SERMON SERIES

Beginning next Sunday night, Dr. Ashley Chappell, pastor of Broadway Methodist church, will deliver a series of nine sermons during the months of September and October. The title of the series is "The Eight Great Tragedies of the Bible." The sermon will be "The Tragedy of the Missing Bridegroom."

The associate pastor of the Broadway church, Rev. Frank Cochran, in speaking of the series said that this series promises to be more interesting than any series Dr. Chappell has given since his pastorate in Ardmore. Much labor and research work have gone into the preparation of the messages he will bring during this time and much may be expected from their delivery.

HURRICANE SWEEPS VERA CRUZ SATURDAY

SAN ANTONIO, Texas.—A hurricane visited Vera Cruz Saturday night and Sunday night and flooded the streets and may have cost several lives, according to telegraphic reports received here Tuesday morning. Heavy damage was done by the water which filled the streets and flooded many houses, the report stated. Rain fell heavily until 6 o'clock Sunday morning when it stopped and the water subsided.

FIRE AT MIAMI PLANT DOES \$25,000 DAMAGE

MIAMI, Okla.—A fire in a string of storage sheds of the Eagle-Picher Lead Company Monday night caused a loss of \$25,000. The fire is thought to have originated through a short circuit in a motor truck.

More Mail Service

MOSCOW — Full postal relations, including registered mail, have now been established between Soviet Russia and all countries with the exception of Japan and China.

Profiteers Owe Bonus to Our Soldiers, Capper Tells Senate

WASHINGTON — Announcing his support of the soldiers bonus as nothing more than a square deal for the boys who did the fighting, Senator Capper, republican, Kansas, told the senate Tuesday that "war profiteers and peace profiteers owe a bonus to the soldier."

"There is no better guarantee against militarism than to require the men who profit out of war to pay for it," he said. "Those who remained at home made enough here in the United States to enable us to pay many times over the debt we owe to the men who fought our battles. Wall street wants to pay it with a sales tax which would be paid largely by the farmers, the labor-

ing people and others in the form of a tax on food and clothing and other necessities.

"Profiteering during the war produced one American millionaire for every three American soldiers killed in France. I would like to see the government recover the hundreds of millions of dollars stolen from the treasury by the crooks and grafters who profiteered off the government war contracts and then use that money to pay the soldiers' bonus."

"Then there's another way we can raise the money. Let's go after the billions that the foreign governments

owe us, collect the interest promptly and pay it to our soldiers. There is no use disguising the fact that our international bankers want us to wipe out this foreign debt. So far as I am concerned I will never vote to cancel one dollar of that debt and I will never vote to lend another dollar of government funds to any foreign nation."

Senator Capper said the most powerful influence against the bonus was the United States chamber of commerce which he charged had taken a referendum of its membership not upon the measure before congress, but upon a measure of its own "concocting."

LABOR BOARD DENIES PLEA OF RAIL MEN

No Definition of "Living Wage" Forthcoming From Federal Body Until Law Amended.

STRIKE AT JOILET ENDED; GUARDS MOVE

Walkout Ended at Roodhouse But Men Want Trains to Run in Day Time.

WASHINGTON — President Harding still believes that congress should grant him immediately authority to take over the railroads and mining properties, it was said today at the White House, but has assured congressional spokesmen that only the grimest public necessity would move him to exercise such powers if granted.

CHICAGO — Railroad labor board today denied the motion of W. Jeff Lauck, labor statistician that the board define immediately the principles of "a living wage" in the case of the maintenance of way employees, who are seeking increased minimum of pay. At the request of E. F. Grable, president of the maintenance organization, the hearing then was adjourned until Wednesday morning.

Mr. Grable, announced that he was Senator Cummins today asking them to present to congress an amendment to the transportation act which would make it mandatory on the labor board to "enunciate the principles of the living wage." The board in its ruling on Lauck's request declared it could not go beyond the transportation act which prescribed the establishment of "just and reasonable" wages.

Resumes at Joliet.
JOLIET, Ill. — The walkout by the brotherhood on the E. J. and E. railroad in the local yards was ended this morning in an agreement between the road and railroad officers of the train organizations, Limit. Col. Nelson Morris, in command of state troops in Will county, announced.

Work in Day Time

ROODHOUSE, Ill. — The walkout here ended very amiably last midnight after two long conferences between Mr. Titus, local brotherhood chairman and Vice President Johnas P. McBride of Cleveland, of the brotherhood of locomotive firemen. In voting to return to work at daybreak today, the men asked that trains be run only in day time, for the present, Mr. Titus assented.

It was also agreed to curtail night railroad yard services here, so as to reduce night work for the men, as much as possible temporarily. With this arrangement and the further advice from Mr. Titus, that the men should use their own judgment and not attempt to use a locomotive they believed defective, the workers this morning were at their posts again, intent on moving trains out of this division point as fast and as nearly on schedule as possible.

Auxiliary Names Delegates to Go To Conventions

Delegates of the Woman's Auxiliary of the American Legion were selected Tuesday morning to attend conventions, at their regular meeting at Convention Hall. Plans for visiting the veterans at the new Sulphur hospital were also made.

Mrs. Cecil Ryburn was selected to go to the third district meeting at Antlers on September 1. Mrs. Mark Kirkpatrick, president, and Mrs. Ryburn, with Mrs. McCann and Mrs. Kahn as alternates, were elected as delegates to the state convention at Bartlesville on Sept. 11 and 12.

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